REMARKS

Accompanying this amendment is a request for continued examination and a

request for a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the office action along with a

check in the amount of the required government fees.

Amended claim 1 which was rejected has been cancelled. A new independent

claim 22 is presented for consideration in place of cancelled amended claim 1. Independent

claim 22 distinguishes from the references to Bandy Jr. et al. in view of Bandy Jr. ('912) relied

upon by the Examiner to reject amended claim 1 as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) in

calling for side and top profiles 176 exchangeably welded to the side parts in the region of the top

run and the cast flange arm 111 to be provided with weight reducing depressions 130 on its

underside. Claims 23-28 depend from claim 22 and are allowable for the reasons recited for

parent claim 22.

Claims 4, 5, 9, 10, 12, 14 and 15 have been amended to depend from claim 21

which the Examiner indicated was allowable in the last official action.

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